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FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR, NEW OPERATING DIFFICULTIES FOR PANAM

1. MANAGING DIRECTOR CARACAS, PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS, REPORTED THAT UP TILL NOW HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN, PERMISSION FOR PACKAGES OF TEN EXTRA FREIGHT FLIGHTS WITHOUT STIPULATION OF DATES ON WHICH TO FLY THEM. AFTER EXHAUSTION OF PERMIT, HE SIMPLY REQUESTED TEN MORE.
 2. UPON LATEST REQUEST FOR NEW GROUP OF TEN PERMITS, PANAM RECEIVED REPLY FROM DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS STATING THAT FROM NOW EACH SINGLE FLIGHT MUST BE AUTHORIZED AT LEAST THREE DAYS IN ADVANCE WITH DETAILED INDICATIONS AS TO TYPE OF FREIGHT, EQUIPMENT TYPE, ETA AND ETD.
 3. PAN AM CONSIDERS THIS UNNECESSARY HARRASSMENT AND VERY DIFFCULT TO COMPLY WITH. FREIGHT VOLUME OFTEN ACCUMULATES SUDDENLY AND HAS TO BE SHIPPED AS SOON AS AIRCRAFT BECOMES AVAILABLE.
 4. VIASA NOT OPERATING UNDER SUCH RESTRICTIONS AND IN FACT DOES NOT REQUIRE SPECIAL PERMIT FOR ANY EXTRA FLIGHTS ON DESIGNATED ROUTES.
 5. EMBASSY INTENDS TO ATTACK PROBLEM WITH DIRECTOR CIVAIR ON BASIS OF PRACTICALITY AND OPERATIONAL DIFFICULTY
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FOR PANAM. HOWEVER, GUIDANCE FROM DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED AS

TO WHETHER RECIPROCITY COULD BE MENTIONED AS A POSSIBLE
REMEDIAL MEASURE BY THE USG AGAINST VIASA
IF SUCH HARRASSMENT OF PANAM CONTINUES. CABLE REPLY
IS REQUESTED.
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